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29 May 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant for Plans and Development

SUBJECT: Trip Report Covering Period of 19-24 May 1963

THROUGH: Chief, Development Branch

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1. [REDACTED]

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were contacted on Monday, 20 May in connection with the proposed class one microdensitometer study. These gentlemen indicated an interest in the contract and stated that a proposal will be sent to NPIC within ten days. All information gathered during this project will be held on a "Company Confidential" basis and not be disseminated in any form to any other area. [REDACTED] suggested that in order to have a reproducible copy, [REDACTED] would supply us with the text and a negative - only one copy will be published.

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During the conference it was learned that the [REDACTED] Class I Microdensitometer demonstration will be held in September of this year. Information was also obtained on a rapid processor which produced a transparency in 10 seconds and could be used with various film widths. A microline evaluator was described, its function was the direct measurement of densities from microfilm with a screen showing a blowup of the character being scanned.

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2. On Tuesday, 21 May a conference with [REDACTED] was held concerning the status of the Itek Image Enhancement Viewer using Spatial Filtering Techniques. According to [REDACTED] no problem is foreseen in completing the fabrication of the instrument. There is some question however, concerning a replacement of [REDACTED]. It was considered that some senior member of the Itek Staff be thoroughly briefed concerning progress to date and the completion of the last phase of the spatial filtering study. The last phase will be the collection and evaluation of all test procedures indicating an overall application of the specific information derived from the spatial filtering tests. This will involve determining interrelationship of parameters such as image shapes, gamma, frequency et al. It will be necessary to completely revise the operation manual and to submit a report on the program. It was estimated that the entire phase, including the fabrication of the instrument would require approximately six months. [REDACTED] stated that the time factor given in the contract (six months) was sufficient to complete the project. Note: Per telephone conversation on 27 May [REDACTED] indicated that a time extension

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of three or four months may be requested, at no increase in cost to NPIC.

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3. A conference was held with [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] concerning their interest in compilation of a class one microdensitometer study. Both indicated that there was little interest in data collection per se, and that certain aspects of the subject requirements indicated the possibility for a research study. It was stated that inauguration of research into any of the subject matter, other than collection of data, was not the purpose of the contract. If they could not obtain information in certain portions of the subject requirements, it was suggested that any research necessary would be listed separately with its cost. [REDACTED] agreed and further suggested a breakdown of the research into modest, desired or thorough research. Any additional information not covered in the subject requirements would be itemized separately with their costs. A reproducible copy requirement was stated and [REDACTED] said that other manuals produced on multilith proved satisfactory and that this will be used for our text. The proposal should be received by 10 June 1963.

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4. A conference time of approximately 1000 hours was arranged with [REDACTED] on Wednesday 15 May 1963, however a phone call to this company at 0830 and again at 0900 resulted in my waiting until 1400 before anyone was available. [REDACTED] was not available at all and [REDACTED] was available "after-lunch" at 1400. [REDACTED] stated that a number of the subject requirements for the class one microdensitometer study have already been investigated. [REDACTED] said that he and [REDACTED] would review the study requirements and forward a proposal within ten days. The text will be published on multilith and the association with this office held on a classified basis.

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5. During the delay in meeting with [REDACTED] personnel it was possible to rearrange my scheduled meeting with [REDACTED] of Wright-Patterson AFB. An introduction to [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] area. It was established during this meeting that there was an outstanding requirement for logistics support from a procurement standpoint. Other areas of interest included the Experimental Analysis Group and the Reconnaissance Division, Photographic Branch. Since there is an evident need for logistics support, it is assumed that I shall be assigned to the [REDACTED] under the direction of [REDACTED]

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